



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 743**

*January Session, 2011*

Substitute Senate Bill No. 366

*Senate, May 5, 2011*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. HARP of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR ADULT DAY CARE CENTERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-343 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

3 The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish annually the  
4 maximum allowable rate to be paid by [said] agencies for homemaker  
5 services, chore person services, companion services, respite care, meals  
6 on wheels, adult day care services, case management and assessment  
7 services, transportation, mental health counseling and elderly foster  
8 care, except that the maximum allowable rates in effect July 1, 1990,  
9 shall remain in effect during the fiscal years ending June 30, 1992, and  
10 June 30, 1993. The Commissioner of Social Services shall prescribe  
11 uniform forms on which agencies providing such services shall report  
12 their costs for such services. Such rates shall be determined on the  
13 basis of a reasonable payment for necessary services rendered. The  
14 maximum allowable rates established by the Commissioner of Social  
15 Services for the Connecticut home-care program for the elderly

16 established under section 17b-342 shall constitute the rates required  
 17 under this section until revised in accordance with this section. The  
 18 Commissioner of Social Services shall establish a fee schedule, to be  
 19 effective on and after July 1, 1994, for homemaker services, chore  
 20 person services, companion services, respite care, meals on wheels,  
 21 adult day care services, case management and assessment services,  
 22 transportation, mental health counseling and elderly foster care. The  
 23 commissioner may annually increase any fee in the fee schedule based  
 24 on an increase in the cost of services. The commissioner shall increase  
 25 the fee schedule effective July 1, 2000, by not less than five per cent, for  
 26 adult day care services. The commissioner shall increase the fee  
 27 schedule effective July 1, 2011, by four dollars per person, per day for  
 28 adult day care services. Nothing contained in this section shall  
 29 authorize a payment by the state to any agency for such services in  
 30 excess of the amount charged by such agency for such services to the  
 31 general public.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2011	17b-343
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**AGE**      *Joint Favorable C/R*

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The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 12 \$	FY 13 \$
Department of Social Services	GF - Implements the Budget	950,000	950,000

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill increases the rates paid by the Department of Social Services to adult day care providers by \$4 per day. Based on approximately 237,500 annual days of services, this will result in an annualized cost of \$950,000. Funds for this purpose have been included in S.B. 1239 (the FY 12 – FY 13 biennial budget), as approved by the House and the Senate.

**The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

**OLR Bill Analysis****sSB 366*****AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR ADULT DAY CARE CENTERS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) commissioner, beginning July 1, 2011, to increase by \$4 per person, per day, the fees that DSS pays for adult day care services. The current rates are: (1) full day, \$66.22 (approved medical model providers); full day, \$62.18 (non-medical model providers); and half day, \$40.54. (It is unclear whether the fee change would apply proportionately, thereby requiring a \$2 increase for the half-day services.)

The law, unchanged by the bill, continues to allow DSS to annually increase these fees, which are set in a schedule, based on increases in service costs. The state's rate for these services cannot exceed that charged to the public.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Aging Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 10      Nay 0      (02/15/2011)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 43      Nay 5      (04/25/2011)